CITY OF DEXTER ARTS, CULTURE, AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, JULY 7, 2021

The regular meeting of the City of Dexter Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee was called to order at 6:40pm via Zoom online meeting platform.

ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present:

Willoughby – Present remotely in Scio Township, MI Arbour – Present remotely in the City of Dexter, MI

Bellas – Present remotely in the City of Dexter, MI

Fisher – Present remotely in City of Alma, MI

Giltner - Present remotely in the City of Dexter, MI

Hill - Present remotely in the Phoenix, AZ

Committee Members Absent: Adair, Babcock, Briggs, Davis

Student Reps Present:

Koch - Present remotely in the City of Dexter, MI

Student Representatives Absent: Marsh

Others Present: Sanam Arab, City Council Member; Justin Breyer, Interim City Manager and City Clerk

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion by Fisher; Second by Arbour to approve the minutes from June 2, 2021 as presented.

Unanimous Voice Vote Motion Adopted

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Fisher; Second by Bellas to approve the agenda as presented.

Unanimous Voice Vote Motion Adopted

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE

Sanam Arab, 6986 Wellington Dr., thanked the Committee for its work and the time that she spent on the Committee. Ms. Arab indicated that the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee was the first committee in which she participated after moving to Dexter. She indicated that she appreciates the work that the Committee has done, including but not limited to Paint Dexter, and that she looks forward to continuing to volunteer for Paint Dexter and the Bicentennial.

REPORTS

A. CHAIR

None

B. STAFF REPORT

Staff reported on the following items:

- In-person meetings
- Introduction of new committee member Beverly Hill and new student representative Connor Koch
- Vacancy on the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee

Beverly Hill stated that she is excited to be on the Committee. Connor Koch stated that he appreciates the opportunity to serve on the Committee.

C. CITY COUNCIL

None

D. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

None

E. PROJECT UPDATES FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION OF: ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

Motion by Arbour; Second by Fisher to appoint Rich Bellas to serve as the Chair of the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee.

Ayes: Giltner, Hill, Fisher, Arbour, Willoughby, and Bellas

Nays: None

B. DISCUSSION OF: BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

The Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee discussed the following related to the Bicentennial Celebration:

- Cheryl Willoughby provided an update about the Bicentennial Committee's June meeting.
- Beverly Hill indicated that she performed research, and the first parcels in Dexter were purchased in June.
- There may be a preview celebration in June, and a main celebration in August.
- Julie Wilkinson indicated a desire to join the Bicentennial Committee on behalf of Dexter Daze.
- Aimee Osinski indicated a desire to join on behalf of the Dexter Guardian.
- The Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee will have to discuss what projects the Committee is going to undertake.
- The Committee expressed a desire to discuss the appointment of new member to Bicentennial Committee at the next meeting.

C. DISCUSSION OF: PAINT DEXTER PLEIN AIR FESTIVAL

The Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee discussed the following related to the Paint Dexter Plein Air Festival:

- Holding a meeting in August to discuss final preparations for Paint Dexter.
- Process for sales.

D. CONSIDERATION OF: REVIEW OF ARTS, CULTURE, AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE PROJECTS

The Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee discussed the following related to Master Plan projects:

- We Love Dexter
 - Meredith Giltner and possibly Donna Fisher willing to assist
- Katherine Dexter McCormick
 - Cheryl Willoughby to serve as the Project Champion
 - Phil Arbour, Meredith Giltner, and Beverly Hill are willing to assist with the project
- Mini-Mural Project
 - David Zinn mini-murals
 - o \$700 per piece
 - Three to four murals per year through the Bicentennial
 - Cheryl Willoughby willing to be the Project Champion
 - Beverly Hill willing to work with Cheryl Willoughby
- Historical Signage
 - o Gini Davis's idea
 - Michigan Historical Society has a program to provide plaques for homes that register
- Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee Logo
 - Meredith Giltner willing to assist with this project

Motion by Willoughby; support by Hill to recommend to City Council that ACH be permitted to proceed with the effort to create a logo for the Committee.

Ayes: Arbour, Fisher, Giltner, Willoughby, Hill, and Bellas

Nays: None

Discussion to go to the classroom or to have it professionally done

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE

None

ACTION ITEMS AND PROPOSED BUSINESS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

- May want to consider moving meetings to 7:00pm
- Appoint representative to Bicentennial Committee
- August meeting
- Include Historical Signage for September meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Arbour, second by Fisher to adjourn at 8:18pm.

Unanimous Voice Vote Motion Adopted

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Breyer Interim City Manager and City Clerk